

**RECREATION & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 23, 2012, 7:30 PM
HAMPTON COMMUNITY CENTER**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER 7:01 PM

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

Present: Davis, Burchfield, Yanouzas, Arriola, Wagner, Johnson, A. Hansen (Ayotte and Lafontaine arrived late)

Absent: G Hansen

SEATING OF ALTERNATES none

AUDIENCE FOR CITIZENS

Juan Arriola commented that Commissioners planning to speak about or act on behalf of the Commission advise the Commission of that intent in advance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES of January 26, 2012

Motion to approve made by Burchfield, seconded by Yanouzas, correcting typo in "Secy." On page 2.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion to accept by Yanouzas, seconded by Davis

COMMUNICATIONS

Inquiry from a member of Artists Open Studios association whether CCenter is available for use by a group of artists for a group show and sale during the 2 Artists Open studios weekends in the fall. Agreed that the venue is available and appropriate. Need to discuss possible fee since the existing fee schedule does not include amount to be charged community groups outside Hampton.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Discuss and act on program and budget development for FY 2012-10 (July-June)

See attached budget for events and figures.

Summary of Comments:

MUSIC

Little River Music series as presented by Mark Davis

- Willimantic Band Concern (July) – ask town for support, \$500
- Consider a street dance with DJ as part of Memorial Day celebration

THEATER

- Committee formed to discuss theater performances and play readings: Gordon, Angelika, and Eleni
- Consider doing another Christmas play.
- Invite Flock Theater to bring a Shakespeare performance for outdoors (summer 2012 or 2013?). Request Town \$\$ support.

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

- Kids Doll/Teddy Tea Party, spring 2013 – Juan to look into American Doll clothes vendor (Woodstock?)
- Ice skating (winter 2012-13) – conclusion that this venture needs to be part of a larger longer-term town discussion and planning project about uses for Town Hall/CCenter property
- Christmas tree disposal gathering (bonfire), perhaps with associated skating facility at transfer station (bonfire), January, 2013 \$5 per tree, Marc Ayotte to lead
- Tellabration (fall 2012) – Juan to research bringing graduate students from the Graduate Institute to present.
- Discuss and act on request to Town for funding for FY 2012-13
- Juan also suggested retaining Joseph Firecrow, a Native American storyteller, flutist, and drummer, date TBD
- **Forks not Knives** – film and presentation on vegetarianism (late May 2013)
- **Fat, Sick and Nearly Dead** (late March 2013) – film and presentation on organic juices

OUTDOOR RECREATION

- Airline Trail enhancements – state grant expected through town. Check on status with selectmen. Need to coordinate work parties.
- Hampton trails brochure – check status with Conservation Commission.
- Family bike rides – coordinate with Scott Johnson. Participants need to be able to ride 12 miles.

FUNDRAISERS

- Mother's Day Flower Sale – Angelika and Kaye to chair. Investigate using Mike Chapel as supplier.
- Memorial Day Chicken BBQ – Joan and Laura to chair. We need to construct new cooking cages for the chicken – Juan and Ed to see about sharing project with the church and about obtaining appropriate materials, welding capacity, etc.
- Consider a play reading and a DJ street dance for MemDay afternoon and evening
- Consider an art exhibit of local artists' and children's art work in upper level for Mem. day

NEXT STEPS, AGENDA FOR MARCH MEETING

- Map the program events onto a calendar, dates, times and locations

- Review and discuss system for supervision and care of the Community Center, including cleaning arrangements, inspection by Town representative after events.

Discuss and act on request to town for funding for FY 2012-13

Motion by Gay seconded by Mark to request a stipend of \$3550 from the Town to underwrite certain program items. See budget sheet for details. Passed unanimously.

AUDIENCE FOR CITIZENS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mark, second by Matt, approved unanimously.